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Subject: Microsoft "Punishment" need to be adjusted, rather changed all together.

I am sorry, but as a red blooded american, I can NOT say I understand the DoJ's position on this settlement. It seems as this solution is a contract, rather than a punishment for Microsoft monopolizing the computer industry. Are we truly to believe that an agreement where public schools are given funding, and a portion of that funding will go to increase Microsoft's monopoly is a good solution?

If we really want a settlement which will stop Microsoft from continuing their illegal practices, we have to do something drastic. My suggestion would be to release the file formats and document handlers for Microsoft Office, and have microsoft document how commands are executed (as in POSIX standards for Unices).

I appreciate your taking our comments as this situation develops further.

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